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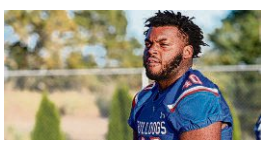

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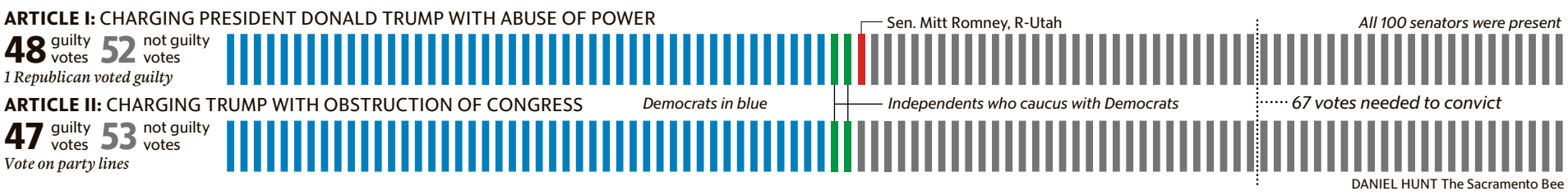

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TRUMP ACQUITTED

Romney breaks ranks as impeachment trial ends

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Associated Press

President Donald Trump won impeachment acquittal Wednesday in the U.S. Senate, bringing to a close only the third presidential trial in American history with votes that split the country, tested civic norms and fed the tumultuous 2020 race for the White House.

With Chief Justice John Roberts presiding, senators sworn to do "impartial justice" stood at their desks to state their votes for the roll call – "guilty" or "not guilty" – in a swift tally almost exclusively along party lines. Visitors, including the president's allies, watched from the crowded gallery. Roberts read the declaration that Trump "be, and is hereby, acquitted of the charges."

The outcome followed months of remarkable impeachment proceedings, from Speaker Nancy Pelosi's House to Mitch

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Chief Justice John Roberts reads the results of the vote on the first article of impeachment, abuse of power.

Trump barrels into campaign, emboldened by party-line vote

BY JONATHAN LEMIRE AND ZEKE MILLER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

With the final gavel banging down Wednesday on impeachment, President Donald Trump barreled ahead in his reelection fight with a united Republican Party behind him, and emboldened by reassuring poll numbers and chaos in the Democratic race to replace him.

Republican senators voted largely in lockstep to acquit Trump, relying on a multitude of rationales for keeping him in office: He's guilty, but his conduct wasn't impeachable; his July telephone conversation with Ukraine's president was a "perfect call"; there's an election in 10 months and it's up to voters to determine his fate.

For Trump, there was one overriding message to draw from his acquittal: Even at a time of maximum political peril, it's his Republican Party.

One day after Trump avoided talk of impeachment in his State

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Newsom softens his fight against Trump in water wars

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Two months ago, Gov. Gavin Newsom seemed poised to file yet another suit against President Donald Trump — this time, over a federal plan to pump more water to Trump's farming allies in the San Joaquin Valley.

Instead, Newsom announced a compromise this week that aims to avoid another protracted legal battle. The Democratic governor outlined a sweeping, $5.2 billion water-sharing agreement that Newsom's team hopes will put an end California's never-ending tension's between shipping river water to farms and cities and protecting critically endangered fish species.

A year into his administration, Newsom is grappling with forces nearly every California governor has struggled to control: powerful water interests in Southern California, wealthy farmers in the Valley, entrenched environmentalists and, this time, a combative Republican administration in Washington.

The governor's newest proposal signals Newsom may be softening his fight against Trump, but opening another battle. Newsom may have traded a court fight with Trump for a legal battle with the very environmentalists the Democratic administration has seen as allies.

"This is a bear hug of the Trump administration extinction plan by the Newsom administration," said Jon Rosenfield, senior scientist with San Francisco Baykeeper.

Newsom, though, sees his plan as a blueprint for a new way forward in California water — something he's been aiming for since taking office. "We have to get past the old binaries, like farmers versus

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Evacuated from coronavirus hot zone, 178 land at Travis AFB

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Dr. Henry Walke, an official with the Centers for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, speaks about the coronavirus and the evacuation of people from Hubei Province in China to Travis Air Force Base at the Solano County Events Center on Wednesday in Fairfield.

KGO-TV

Passengers deplane Kalitta Air Flight 373 at Travis Air Force Base near Fairfield on Wednesday.

Citizens airlifted from China arrive to applause, are 'glad to be home'

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FAIRFIELD

Applause greeted 178 Americans as they exited a plane from China that arrived at Fairfield's Travis Air Force Base in the wee hours of Wednesday morning, said Dr. Henry Walke, an official with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The passengers are coming from China's Hubei province, where there was intense and escalating community-wide spread of the new coronavirus, so they have been classified as at high risk of exposure, Walke said. At the same time, he said, medical personnel are concerned about the mental health of all the evacuees and are trying to keep their spirits up.

All the people and families are facing 14 days of quarantine at Travis, one of five military installations where U.S. citizens,

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